



**Texas Department of Public Safety
Texas Division of Emergency Management
State Situation Report**

Event Name	Tropical System Harvey
Date	September 20, 2017
Time	7 AM
Operational Period	7 AM 09/19/17 – 7 AM 09/20/17
Report Number	27

Regions Affected	
DPS Regions Affected	1, 2, 3 and 6
DDC's Active	4B, 15, 16B, 16C and 20

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION: Residents continue to return to their communities to assess their losses. Evacuees that were transported out of the affected areas to the safety of shelters are being transferred to shelters closer to home, to allow them to start the recovery process. FEMA has established Disaster Recovery Centers (DRC) in the affected communities to assist the victims of this historic incident.

The President has amended the federal declaration for the State of Texas to provide additional disaster assistance available to the state. This increases federal funding for Public Assistance projects as a result of Hurricane Harvey beginning on August 23, 2017, and continuing.

Governor Abbott has issued a proclamation incorporating Milam and San Augustine Counties in his existing disaster proclamation on September 14, 2017.

Governor Abbott has issued a proclamation extending the suspension of laws authorizing or requiring the collection of state or local hotel or motel occupancy taxes from the victims of Hurricane Harvey or personnel participating in relief operations, for a period of 30 days, beginning August 23, 2017, and ending September 22, 2017.

President Trump has amended the Texas Disaster Declaration to make additional disaster assistance available to the State of Texas. This action authorizes 90% Federal cost share for debris removal, and 100% Federal cost share for emergency protective measures for 30 days from the start of the incident period and then a 90% cost share thereafter.

Governor Abbott has issued a proclamation condemning the practice of price gouging, and reminded Texans that such practices are illegal and will be investigated and punished.

Governor Abbott has issued a suspension of specific vehicle titling and registration requirements for the next 45 days in the 58 counties specified in the state's disaster declaration. As a consequence, vehicle titling and registration expirations are suspended in order to relieve that burden upon Texans. Law enforcement will not issue citations for expired registration in all affected counties until October 16, 2017.

Governor Abbott has issued a proclamation to allow the Port Aransas Independent School District Board of Trustees to conduct a telephone meeting within a reasonable distance of the district.

Governor Abbott issued a disaster declaration for the counties of: Angelina, Atascosa, Aransas, Austin, Bastrop, Bee, Bexar, Brazos, Burleson, Caldwell, Cameron, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, Comal, Brazoria, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzalez, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kerr, Kleberg, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Live Oak, Madison, Matagorda, Montgomery, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Refugio, San Patricio, Polk, Sabine, San Jacinto, Tyler, Trinity, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Wharton, Willacy and Wilson.

Governor Abbott requested and was approved for a Presidential Disaster Declaration for the following counties: Aransas, Austin, Bastrop, Bee, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Hardin, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Karnes, Kleberg, Lavaca, Lee, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Polk, Refugio, Sabine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Tyler, Victoria, Walker, Waller and Wharton counties for Individual Assistance and assistance with debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.

Bexar, Dallas, Tarrant and Travis counties are eligible for emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.

Public Assistance (Categories C-G) including Direct Federal Assistance have been added to FEMA-4332-DR-TX for Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Hardin, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Polk, San Jacinto, Tyler, Victoria, Walker, Waller and Wharton Counties.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

1. Sheltering and temporary housing.
2. Debris removal.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

Region 1 (Includes DDCs 4, 5, 6, and 22)

DDC 4B Garland – EOC is at Level III. The DDC is operating from 8 AM to 5 PM daily.

Dallas County: EOC is at Level III. FEMA has established a DRC in Dallas to assist sheltered evacuees. The Mega-Shelter has planned to close at 4 PM on September 20, 2017, the remaining evacuees (approximately 200) will be transported to the Tommie Allen temporary shelter which is reopening.

Tarrant County: EOC is activated.

Region 2 (Includes DDCs 13, 14, 15, 16 Houston, 16 Texas City, 16 Conroe, and 16 Pierce)

DDC 14 Lufkin: Continuing to support recovery operations.

Jasper/Newton/Sabine County: EOC is at Level III.

Newton County: The voluntary evacuation continues for all affected flooded areas.

DDC 15 Beaumont – EOC is at Level III. Continues to support POD operations.

Hardin County: EOC is at Level III.

Jefferson County: EOC is at Level III.

City of Beaumont: EOC is at Level III.

City of Port Arthur: EOC is at Level III. Continuing re-entry operations through today.

Orange County: EOC is at Level III. FEMA has opened a DRC in the City of Orange.

DDC 16A – Houston

Chambers County: EOC is at Level I.

Harris County: EOC is at Level III. FEMA has opened DRCs in the Cities of Baytown and Webster.

City of Houston: EOC is at a Level III. FEMA has opened four DRCs in the City of Houston.

DDC 16B Texas City: – EOC is at Level III.

Brazoria County: - EOC is at Level II. City of Richwood's curfew remains in effect from 10 PM to 6 AM.

Galveston County: EOC is at Level III. FEMA has opened a DRC in the City of Dickinson.

DDC 16C Conroe – EOC is at Level III.

Liberty County: EOC is at Level III.

Montgomery County: EOC is at Level III. A FEMA DRC has opened in Magnolia.

Waller County: FEMA has opened a DRC in the City of Brookshire.

DDC 16D Pierce – Monitoring water levels downstream as rivers crest in the coastal area.

Colorado County: FEMA has opened a DRC in the City of Columbus.

Fort Bend County: EOC is at Level III. FEMA has opened DRCs in the cities of: Katy, Missouri City, and Simonton.

Matagorda County: EOC is at Level III. FEMA has opened a DRC in Bay City.

Wharton County: FEMA has opened a DRC in the City of Wharton.

Region 3 (Includes DDCs 19, 20, 21, and 24)

DDC 20 Corpus Christi – EOC is at Level III with only day time operations.

Aransas County: EOC is at Level III. Aransas Pass curfew from 12 AM to 6 AM. A Texas Emergency Management Assistance Team (TEMAT) arrived, beginning operations assisting the county and local governments with recovery.

Nueces County: EOC is at Level III. City of Port Aransas curfew remains in effect from 12 AM to 6 AM. FEMA has opened a DRC in the City of Port Aransas.

Refugio County: The curfew continues from 10 PM to 6 AM.

San Patricio County: EOC at Level II. Ingleside curfew has changed to 12 AM to 5 AM. FEMA has opened a DRC in Ingleside.

Region 6 (Includes DDCs 11, 23, 12, 17, and 18)

DDC 12 Austin – Continuing to support recovery and shelter operations. FEMA has established a DRC in Fayette County.

DDC 17 Victoria – FEMA has established DRCs in Calhoun, Goliad, Jackson and Victoria counties.

Shelters Activated:

County	# of Shelters	Population as of September 20, 2017 as of 7 AM
Brazoria	3	106
Dallas	1	157
Galveston	1	23
Hardin	1	16
Harris	7	2,787
Jefferson	2	470
Liberty	3	62
Nueces	1	116
Refugio	1	7
Travis	1	37
Grand Total	21	3,781

**RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS
STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED**

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Quantity	Status	Resource Location
DSHS	Ambulance/Staff	7	Standby	Various
DSHS	Mortuary Trailers w/ Staff	3	Standby	Various
DPS	THP	260	Activated	Various
DPS	CID/ICT	47	Activated	Various
SBTC	DOC IMT	1	Activated	Tarrant
SBTC	Childcare Unit	1	Activated	Dallas

SBTC	Feeding Units	28	Activated	Nueces County
SBTC	Feeding Unit	2	Activated	Harris
SBTC	Shower/Laundry Unit	7	Activated	Harris
SBTC	Water Treatment Unit	1	Activated	Harris
SBTC	Kubota RTV	2	Activated	Harris
SBTC	Chaplains	2	Activated	Harris
SBTC	IMT	2	Activated	Harris
SBTC	Laundry Unit	1	Activated	Hardin County
SBTC	Support Unit	1	Activated	Hardin County
SBTC	Feeding	1	Activated	Hardin County
SBTC	Feeding Unit	1	Activated	Jefferson County
SBTC	Shower/Laundry Unit	3	Activated	Jefferson County
SBTC	Water Treatment Unit	1	Activated	Jefferson County
SBTC	Cleanup/Recovery	2	Activated	Jefferson County
SBTC	Childcare Unit	1	Activated	Jefferson County
SBTC	Laundry Unit	1	Activated	Travis County
SBTC	Shower/Laundry Unit	1	Activated	Liberty County
SBTC	Cleanup/Recovery Team	1	Activated	Liberty County
SBTC	Cleanup/Recovery	1	Activated	Orange County
SBTC	Generator	1	Activated	Orange County
SBTC	Laundry	1	Activated	Orange County
TMD	SOC Military Desk Team MRP (A-00-25359-4818)	1	Assigned	Austin
TMD	SOC Intake Cell Support Team (A-00-25359-4814)	1	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Texas Emergency Tracking Network Teams (A-00-25359-47964)	2	Assigned	Beaumont, Addison, Dallas
TMD	Texas Emergency Tracking Network Team (A-00-25359-47964)	2	Assigned	Camp Mabry
TMD	Sustainment Mission Command	1	Assigned	Camp Swift
TMD	TX-TF1 Joint Air/Ground Coordination Team (A-00-25359-4815)	1	Assigned	Camp Mabry
TMD	Ground Search and Rescue	1	Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	Rotary Wing MRPs	7	Assigned	Austin, Grand Prairie, College Station, Ellington, Sugarland, Houston Executive, San Antonio
TMD	Fixed Wing MRP	2	Assigned	NASJRB- Fort Worth
TMD	POD Operations MRPs	6	Assigned	Various
TMD	Adaptive Battle Staff	1	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Military District Coordinator Team	7	Demobilized	Houston, Beaumont, Austin
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1	Assigned	Corpus Christi,
TMD	Expedient Response	1	Assigned	ARC San Antonio
TMD	Multi-Function Company	1	Assigned	Camp Swift
TMD	Multi-Function Platoon	1	Assigned	Camp Swift
TMD	Shelter Operations MRP	13	Assigned	Nacogdoches, NRG Houston, GRB

				Houston, KBH Dallas,
TMD	Maintenance Team	5	Assigned	Various
TMD	Public Affairs Officer	8	Assigned	Camp Swift
TMD	MEOC	5	Assigned	Grand Prairie, Camp Swift, Various
TMD	Fueler	2	Activated	Camp Mabry
TMD	LNO TXSG to BNMC	1	Activated	Camp Swift, Robstown, San Antonio, Home Station
TMD	SUS HQ (JRSOI)	2	Assigned	Houston
TMD	136 MEB	4	Assigned	Camp Mabry
TMD	MEB TF HQ	1	Assigned	Beaumont
TMD	36 CAB	1	Assigned	Austin
TMD	TF North Central (BN HQ)	1	Assigned	Houston
TMD	TF South (BN HQ)	1	Assigned	Beaumont
TMD	TF East (BN HQ)	1	Assigned	Victoria
HHSC	SOC-Ops (DADS, DFPS)	1	Activated	Austin
HHSC	SOC-Ops (HHSC)	1	Activated	Austin
HHSC	DFPS	6	Activated	Houston
TFS	TFS Personnel	1	Activated	Angelina County
TFS	County Support	1	Activated	Aransas County
TFS	TIFMAS Engine	10	Activated	Aransas County
TFS	RSA	1	Activated	Bee County
TFS	TFS Support	1	Activated	Brazos County
TFS	County Support	1	Activated	Hardin
TFS	TIFMAS Engine	2	Activated	Hardin
TFS	RSA	1	Activated	Jefferson
TFS	TIFMAS Engine	4	Activated	Jefferson
TFS	DDC Support	1	Activated	Nueces
TFS	TIFMAS Engine	4	Activated	Orange
TFS	SOC Support	1	Activated	Austin SOC
TABC	Peace Officers	20	Assigned	Houston NRG
TAHC	Region Field Staff	3	Activated	Various
TAHC	Field Staff – Strike Teams	12	Assigned	Various
TAHC	VET	4	Assigned	Brazoria Co
NCCTRAC	Mass Fatality Trailer	1	Activated	Beaumont/Orange
NCCTRAC	Ambulance Strike Team	1	Activated	Beaumont/Orange
TxDOT	Debris Strike Teams	27	En-Route	Harris County
TxDOT	Debris Strike Teams	12	Assigned	Aransas County
TxDOT	Debris Strike Teams	3	Assigned	Montgomery County
TxDOT	Debris Strike Teams	5	Assigned	City of Seadrift

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC): Continuing to assist the Houston Police Department and the Harris County Constable Precinct One Office at the NRG Center in Houston maintaining perimeter security and access control.

Texas Workforce Commission (TWC): TWC has been awarded a \$30 million National Dislocated Worker Grant from the U.S. Department of Labor in response to the extensive

destruction caused by Hurricane Harvey. TWC has been working with local workforce development boards, also known as Workforce Solutions, to determine the needs of the areas most heavily impacted by the storm. Workforce Solutions Alamo, Coastal Bend, Deep East Texas, Golden Crescent, Gulf Coast, Rural Capital Area and Southeast Texas will identify and place dislocated workers into temporary subsidized employment opportunities to assist with cleanup efforts. Disaster funds will also be used to help displaced Texans return to full employment as quickly as possible. Press release on the Dislocated Worker Grant: <https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-announces-30m-national-dislocated-worker-grant-from-the-u.s>

TWC is accepting applications for Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) in all 39 counties under FEMA's disaster declaration. Individuals whose employment or self-employment was impacted by Hurricane Harvey who live in, work in, or travel through these counties must submit applications for DUA by the following deadlines:

September 27, 2017 for Aransas, Bee, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Harris, Jackson, Kleberg, Liberty, Matagorda, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, Victoria and Wharton Counties.

September 29, 2017 for Colorado, Fayette, Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Montgomery, Newton, Orange, Sabine, San Jacinto and Waller Counties.

October 5, 2017 for Austin, Bastrop, DeWitt, Gonzales, Karnes, Lavaca, Lee, Polk, Tyler, and Walker Counties.

Cumulative August 25, through September 13, 2017, TWC has processed 127,672 disaster-related unemployment insurance claims. People in affected areas can apply for unemployment benefits due to Hurricane Harvey or learn about Disaster Unemployment Benefits through TWC's website at <http://www.twc.state.tx.us/jobseekers/disaster-unemployment-assistance> or call a Tele-Center at 800-939-6631 and speak to a customer service representative. Tele-Center weekday hours are 7:30 AM to 6:30 PM.

Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS): Texas A&M Forest Service has 54 responders, including Texas Type 3 All Hazard Incident Management Team (IMT) members assisting in various roles related to the Hurricane Harvey floods and winds. These teams are positioned mostly proximate to the coast of Texas to help in hurricane response. The Urban Forestry Strike Team with eight members in Victoria County.

The Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS) provides local fire trucks and firefighters to support state emergency response operations. The program, run through Texas A&M Forest Service, has mobilized a total of 277 firefighters, currently staffing 60 firefighters with 17 fire engines from across the state.

Regional Staging Areas (RSAs) are temporary locations established to house, sort and manage a variety of supplies and commodities needs in the areas affected by Hurricane Harvey. RSA locations include Beaumont and Beeville.

Support locations have been set up along the Texas Gulf Coast in an effort to provide assistance in coordinating response efforts of local disaster districts and emergency operations centers. Support locations include the cities of: Austin, College Station, Corpus Christi, Lufkin and Port Aransas.

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ): TCEQ and agency partners of the Natural Disaster Operational Workgroup (NDOW) are conducting orphan container recovery, drinking water and waste water on-site assessments, hazard evaluations, and oil discharge assessments. There are 468 TCEQ staff working in response to Hurricane Harvey. TCEQ has started contacting EMC's about Debris Management. As of September 16, 2017, there are 70 public water systems (PWS) with boil water notices (BWN) and 284 PWS that have rescinded BWN. A total of six PWS and 10 wastewater treatment (WW) plants are currently inoperable.

TCEQ has placed regulatory guidance along with PDW and Wastewater operational status on the TCEQ Webpage located at <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/hurricanes>

TCEQ continues to receive and review temporary debris management sites for authorizations. Currently, we have received 164 applications and have approved 146 sites.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ): Law Enforcement personnel remain deployed to Ingleside to support activities in the area. There are currently nine officers deployed and 15 on standby.

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS): Currently has 260 personnel activated. General security duties in all affected area preventing and detecting looting and other crimes. DPS Personnel from the Texas Highway Patrol (THP) Division and Criminal Investigation Division (CID) continue to assist in the affected area by providing general security, response to local agency calls, traffic direction and escorts of maintenance and other critical personnel as needed. THP is assisting HHSC with traffic control at various locations that are distributing D-SNAP benefits to persons in affected counties. DPS is demobilizing outside personnel as local agency needs continue to diminish. Texas Division of Emergency Management State and District Coordinators throughout the state have been deployed to different jurisdictions for mission support.

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS): As of September 19, 2017, Texas local jurisdictions have received 41,325 doses of Tdap/Td/Tetanus, 6,820 doses of HepA, 150 doses of HepB and 3,970 doses of influenza vaccine to distribute to first responders and the general public.

Three mortuary trailers remain deployed in the affected area, one in Nueces County and two at a private funeral home in Houston.

DSHS is collecting data and looking at which actionable items need to be implemented in the areas of vector control, vaccines, mental health services, shelter surveillance and environmental health.

The Vector Control Team in the SMOC is coordinating aerial vector control efforts in targeted areas. Aerial vector control spraying operations occurred during the last operational period in the following counties: Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Walker, and Waller. All Regional Health and Medical Operations Centers (RHMO) are virtual. A total of 22 PHR staff are activated with no staff deployed to the affected area.

Texas Health and Human Services (HHSC): Regulatory Division is coordinating communication with evacuated and impacted Licensed Long Term Care facilities.

Department of Family Protective Services (DFPS) is coordinating communication with evacuated and impacted regulated facilities and conservatorship families.

Texas will offer Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP) to residents in Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, Nueces, Polk, Refugio and San Patricio counties starting September 18/19, 2017 in addition to the 11 initial counties previously announced. Texas is now offering residents greater flexibility to apply in counties that are not necessarily their counties of residence. If families have been displaced from one of the 18 counties receiving D-SNAP and cannot travel back to their home county, they can go to any local HHSC benefits office across the state to apply for D-SNAP during the dates designated for their counties.

For information on all 18 currently approved D-SNAP sites, go to www.hhs.texas.gov/d-snap to find days and hours of operation.

2-1-1: Continues to monitor call metrics of all 2-1-1 statewide call centers to revise staffing adjustments to support increased call volume. 211 Texas has begun routing a percentage of disaster calls to 211's located in California and Connecticut to assist with call handling capacity. Three other 211's nationwide have been identified for additional assistance, if needed. Call centers are providing recovery messaging and providing rumor control support. Call volume shows calls offered 1,999 calls on September 17, 2017 for a total of 346,354 calls since August 25, 2017. The total number of inquiries received by Texas 211 for displaced persons from August 24 to September 17, 2017 is 367.

Texas Education Agency (TEA): Established a telephone hotline for parents in the Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Houston and Victoria areas to receive information regarding public education for students affected by Hurricane Harvey. Parents can get information on public education options for their student by calling (512) 463-9603. The hotline is designed to assist families with questions about where to enroll children in school. They are staffed from 8 AM to 5 PM daily, including weekends.

TEA Website Resources Related to Hurricane Recovery

Hurricane Harvey Resources for Parents: <http://tea.texas.gov/HarveyParentResources/>

Dealing with Disasters: Frequently Asked Questions:
http://tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Other_Services/Weather_and_Disaster/Dealing_with_Disasters_Frequently_Asked_Questions/

Hurricane Harvey Resources for School Systems: <http://tea.texas.gov/HarveyResources/>

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT): TxDOT continues to work with our federal, state and local partners in response to Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts. Debris removal operations continue to expand in the impacted areas; mobilized or are mobilizing to remove debris in the Cities of La Porte, Rockport and Seadrift and the Counties of Aransas, Harris and Montgomery. Crews from all but four TxDOT Districts are currently involved.

A total of 12 debris strike teams from across the state mobilized in support of the debris removal efforts focused in Aransas County, while contract crews continued to work on the State Highway system in the area. Work to enlarge debris dump sites was also performed by TxDOT crews. Nearly 200 TxDOT personnel will be directly involved in the removal of debris in Aransas County.

TxDOT strike teams are removing debris in Montgomery County. A total of 27 TxDOT debris strike teams have mobilized, conducting debris removal in Harris County.

Local TxDOT staff will establish communications with the City of Seadrift and plan for the debris removal operation. Contract crews continue debris removal operations in Victoria and Calhoun Counties.

In the impacted areas, two segments of roadway remain closed due to flooding while 10 segments remain closed due to damage.

Texas Military Department (TMD): TMD is currently operating two PODs, two shelters with 13 shelter teams and two Emergency Tracking Network (ETN) Teams. Currently maintaining assigned missions while remaining elements are conducting out-processing and demobilization. Currently operating throughout the state, focused in Districts 4B, 12, 16A, 18A, and 20.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD): Texas Game Wardens and State Park Police Officers are continuing response with calls for service and security patrols in affected areas. Tasking of these activities is being filled by locally-stationed officers who are working closely with local officials to determine needs. Focus remains strongest in DDCs 14, 15, and 16, specifically Brazoria and Newton Counties. Officers in the Port Aransas and Rockport areas continue with welfare checks and security patrols.

Response efforts to date have resulted in the combined rescue of 11,212 persons. TPWD is currently housing 84 evacuees in eight State Parks. Locally assigned State Park Police Officers are being tasked with evacuee management as needed.

FINAL COMMENTS: The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions) as of 8 AM on September 12, 2017. The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

The four levels of SOC activation are:

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

*This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at:
<https://www.dps.texas.gov/dem/sitrep/default.aspx>*

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